



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

Finance Subcommittee on Workers' Compensation

Tuesday, April 23, 2019

12:45 PM

**Cook County Building, Board Room
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

NOTICE AND AGENDA

There will be a meeting of the Committee or Subcommittee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County at the date, time and location listed above to consider the following:

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Authorization as a public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have submitted in writing, their name, address, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon to deliver testimony at a time specified in the meeting agenda. Authorized public speakers who are not present during the specified time for public testimony will forfeit their allotted time to speak at the meeting. Public testimony must be germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. Persons authorized to provide public testimony shall not use vulgar, abusive, or otherwise inappropriate language when addressing the Board; failure to act appropriately; failure to speak to an item that is germane to the meeting, or failure to adhere to the time requirements may result in expulsion from the meeting and/or disqualify the person from providing future testimony.

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COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 3/19/2019

[19-2123](#)

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

TO ALIGN WORKERS' COMPENSATION PAYMENT PROCESS WITH STATE STATUTE

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners requires the Department of Risk Management to administer workers compensation benefits for Cook County employees pursuant to the Illinois Workers'

Compensation Act, 820 ILCS 305; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Risk Management works with County employers and the Office of the States Attorney to ensure that injured employees receive proper workers' compensation benefits while also preserving the Employer's interests; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Subcommittee on Workers' Compensation authorizes workers' compensation settlements and awards as presented by the State's Attorney's Office; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 13-R-02 authorizes the Department of Risk Management to resolve Workers' Compensation cases under \$25,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the workers' compensation benefits are referred to as workers' compensation claim payments and include indemnity payments, payments to case management and service providers, and payments to medical providers for injuries or illnesses sustained in the course and scope of employment with Cook County; and

WHEREAS, Illinois Public Act 100-1117 and the Workers' Compensation Act requires a medical provider to bill an employer or its designee directly and further requires employers and insurers to pay interest to providers at the rate of 1% per month for services rendered on and after the effective date of this amendatory Act if the bill is not paid promptly; and

WHEREAS, workers' compensation medical providers must receive payments within 30 days or face penalties in accordance with Illinois Public Act 100-1117; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioner of Cook County that the Department of Risk Management be granted the authority to resolve and execute all workers' compensation claim payments. A report of such approved workers' compensation claim payments shall be made available to the Finance Committee of the County Board on a monthly basis by the Director of Risk Management.

Legislative History : 3/21/19 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Finance Subcommittee on Worke



Secretary

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Vice Chairman: Britton

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